## **RESOLUTION #192-2020**

## **REVISED 2020 ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE**

**WHEREAS**, the Open Public Meetings Act of 1975, P.L. 1975, c. 231, requires public bodies to provide notice of all meetings in an effort to enhance the proper functioning of democratic processes; and

WHEREAS, due to COVID-19 and the resulting rules and regulations set by the Governor to protect public safety, Beach Haven Council meetings are now being conducted remotely, via Zoom; and

WHEREAS, new DLGS emergency regulations (Local Finance Notice 2020-21) were created establishing standard protocols for remote public meetings held by a local public body during a Governor- declared emergency

WHEREAS, these regulations include provisions concerning notice and facilitating public comment; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of this Borough Council to implement and adhere to these new regulations.

1. Pursuant to the emergency regulations set by Local Finance Notice 2020-21, the Borough Council hereby declares that the **Regular** meetings held on the following dates and times shall be held remotely, unless otherwise modified by resolution of this Council. Formal action will be taken and closed sessions may be held.

Tuesday, October 13, 2020 - 6pm Monday November 9, 2020 - 6pm Monday, December 14, 2020 - 6pm

2. Pursuant to the emergency regulations set by Local Finance Notice 2020-21, the Borough Council hereby declares that the **Agenda** meetings held on the following dates and times shall be held remotely, unless otherwise modified by resolution of this Council.

Wednesday, September 30, 2020-4pm Thursday, October 29, 2020-4pm Tuesday, November 24, 2020-4pm Wednesday, December 30, 2020-4pm

- 3. Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:45A-1, the Borough Council hereby sets the date of the 2021 organization meeting for Monday, January 4, 2021 at Noon, to be held remotely, via Zoom.at the
- 4. Registration in advance is required for these meetings. Members of the public must register for meetings through the "Council Meeting Schedule" page of the Borough website www.beachhaven-nj.gov. There is a clearly labeled date for each meeting on this page, a link to the meeting's Zoom registration can be found in parenthesis next to the date. After registering, a confirmation email, containing information about joining the meeting, is sent to the registrant.
- 6. Public comment at remote meetings can be made by raising your electronic hand, raising your physical hand if on video, or calling into the meeting and unmuting yourself by pressing \*6 if you do not have video or microphone access. Additionally, written public comment may be submitted on the Borough website, through the "Borough Feedback" tab on the website's homepage. Finally, comments may be submitted in writing, to the Clerk's office, at 300 Engleside Ave., Beach Haven, NJ 08008. Written submissions must be received by 10:00am, the day of the meeting, in order to be included and must contain your name and address.

- 7. Agendas for these meetings may be accessed on the Borough website <a href="www.beachhaven-nj.gov">www.beachhaven-nj.gov</a> on the "Council Meeting Schedule" tab, under the "Government" tab, by clicking the date of the meeting. Other relevant documents, if any, for these remote meetings, can be found on the Borough website, under the "Government" tab.
- 8. A copy of this resolution containing the revised notice of regularly scheduled meetings shall be posted and maintained, throughout the remainder of 2020, prominently on the Borough website, on the front door of Borough Hall, and on a board reserved for such or similar announcements, located in the vestibule of Borough Hall.
- 9. A copy of this resolution shall be mailed to the following newspapers circulating in Ocean County:
  - 1. Beach Haven Times
  - 2. Asbury Park Press
  - 3. Atlantic City Press
- 10. In the event that a meeting described in paragraphs 1 and 2 above is rescheduled, the Borough Council shall, in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, post, mail and submit such revision as required by law, including posting electronically.
- 10. Written notice of special meetings of the Borough Council shall be given at least forty-eight (48) hours prior thereto, giving the time, date, location and to the extent known, the agenda of such special meetings, which notice shall accurately state whether formal action may or may not be taken and which shall be provided for in the following manner:
  - A. By posting a copy thereof in the vestibule of the Borough Hall in the place reserved for such or similar announcements, on the front door of Borough Hall, and on the Borough website.
  - B. By email or FAX sending a copy of such notice to the following newspapers circulating in Ocean County:
    - 1. Beach Haven Times
    - 2. Asbury Park Press
    - 3. Atlantic City Press
- 12. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-9(b), upon the affirmative vote of three quarters of the Council Members present, the Borough Council may hold an emergency meeting without compliance with the notice requirements of this resolution if such meeting is required to deal with matters of such urgency and importance that delay for the purpose of providing adequate notice would be likely to result in substantial harm to the public interest.

## **CERTIFICATION**

I, Sherry Mason, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Beach Haven, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Beach Haven at a regular meeting held on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2020 a quorum being present and voting in the majority.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal this 30<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2020

Sherry Mason RMC Municipal Clerk

APPROVED: 9/30/2020